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TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 1896.

ENGLAND repudiates Dr. Jameson, but then the doctor is in jail where he is eating Dutch rations.

CLEVELAND's decision to ask the American people to loan the government \$100,000,000 in gold will give the Mugwumps another spasm.

The Chicago Tribune warns Congressmen Cannon that in his desire to succeed Senator Culver he should be careful not to go off half-cocked.

BOLIVIA has offered Venezuela 80,000 armed troops in case England attempts to enforce her claims in Venezuela by force. This is the kind of diplomacy that no English diplomatist can talk down.

PROF. McMASTERS refers to Salisbury as the "noble coroner" of the Monroe doctrine. There is no danger, however, that Salisbury will make any effort to kick the corpse he has attempted to prepare.

GEN. CAMPOS has again announced that the Cubans under Gomez are cooped up, but we notice there is great timidity when some one suggests that the door of the coop be closed. Nobody apparently is on to the combination of the door.

NEXT to Cleveland's claim that the necessity for borrowing gold to replenish the gold reserve is not due to a deficiency in the revenue, the claim of Secretary Morton that the alarming decrease of sheep in the United States, since the Democrats came into power, is due to sheep-killing dogs, takes the most cakes.

A SURPRISINGLY large number of exchanges, speaking of the admission of Utah, make the mistake of assuming that a new star is at once added to the flag. This is incorrect. The stars to represent newly admitted states are not placed on the flag until the first fourth of July following the admission. July 4th, 1896, a new star will be added to the flag to represent Utah, making 45 in all.

It is very easy for those people in the United States who know all about it to say that the bit of land claimed by Great Britain in Venezuela is not worth fighting for, but it must be borne in mind that these people have never attempted to explain why England is trying to steal territory that is worth nothing. Uncle Sam proposes to see that this business of claiming worthless territory is stopped. There was once a class of people who could see no reason for going to war in 1891.

It is reported that the administration proposes to send a number of additional United States war ships to the Mediterranean sea with the view of forcing the Dardanelles, if necessary, to compel the Sultan to enforce the payment of indemnity demanded by this government for the losses sustained by Americans in the Karpoof and Marash massacres in Armenia. Should this prove to be correct, England would have to revise her charge that the Venezuelan affair has made it impossible to do anything toward relieving the imperiled Armenians.

MR. CLARENCE DARROW, of Chicago, who in the campaign of 1892 told the workmen what a grand paradise for them would result from a Democratic tariff bill, now describes patriotism as a "blind, inhuman cry for blood." Poor Clarence! He does not seem to have any better conception of patriotism than he had of a tariff and its effects upon American prosperity. The patriotism of this country baptised in blood, and that alone, has made this government what it is, and the willingness to shed blood keeps it so; but many men, such as Darrow, seem never to have discovered that fact. They have a fool impression that the government, like Topsy, "just grew."

Every day that the United States puts off recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cubans is a crime against humanity and against freedom. These people have rebelled against Spain for just causes and they have proven themselves not only willing to lay down their lives for freedom but have shown to the world the armies sent in by Spain to subdue them have failed of their purpose and that in spite of their overwhelming numbers, well armed as they are, they have flunked army after army and are now threatening Havana and have thrown that city in a state of panic regardless of the fact that Gen. Campos is there with an army of 80,000 men. Such people are entitled to recognition as belligerents because Spain has utterly failed to subjugate them and their freedom is already well assured and it would now be an act of mercy to recognize the patriots which would probably result in ending the war very soon. We concur in the views of the Chicago Tribune touching this matter. It says:

The steadfast persistence and the im-

portant successes of the patriotic Cubans for nearly a year past should cause our Congress to wait no longer, but to recognize what they have accomplished by granting them belligerent rights at once. There should be no more time wasted before doing right by the patriots. Encouragement of this kind now will insure their independence from Spain. The subject should be taken up when Congress meets to-morrow and be disposed of as rapidly as was the Venezuelan Commission law.

Too much blood has been shed already in Cuba and this country should not look on idly while more is being spilt needlessly and a contest, the result of which is inevitable, is being protracted. There has been enough of the laissez faire policy. It is time to strengthen the cause of Cuba by letting the Cubans know officially that the sympathies of the United States are with them, and that the Monroe doctrine applies to their case fully as much as it does to that of Venezuela. Congress must act at once. The Cubans have earned recognition.

## Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whisky or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents per bottle at King & Metz's drug store.

## The Christian Endeavor society of the

Christian church at Lincoln recently presented that congregation with an elegant organ.

## A Battle Scarred Veteran.

Nearly every one in Medina Co., Ohio, knows Stephen Rolph, of River Styx, the one-legged veteran, who lost his leg at Winchester, Va., March 23rd, '62. In all probability the exposure and privations of army service, the effects of which are felt as they grow older by nearly all old soldiers, were the cause of the serious nervous prostration and sleeplessness of which Comrade Rolph complained. He says:

"People hereabouts know me pretty well, but you can tell others that I was down for about six months with nervous prostration and sleeplessness for which I tried various doctors and medicines, but Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer has done me more good than all the doctors I had done. The first bottle gave me such great relief that I have used several and feel almost restored to my former good health."

Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer can be relied upon by any who are suffering from nervous troubles, sleeplessness, etc. If all tired out and run down, you need a reliable nerve and system tonic and health restorer as this remedy is. Sold in Decatur by J. W. Eichinger, Drug-gist, cor. Main and Water st.

## The C. P. church at Greenview has

made a new departure and now enjoys singing from a choir composed entirely of old people.

## A Sound Liver makes a Well Man.

Are you Bilious, Constipated, or troubled with Jaundice, Sick Headache, Bad Taste in Mouth, Flat Breath, Coated Tongue, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Hot Dry Skin, Pain in Back and between the Shoulders, Chills and Fever, etc. If you have any of these symptoms, your liver is out of order and your blood is slowly being poisoned, because your liver does not act properly. HENRICH will cure any disorder of the Liver, Stomach or Bowels. It has no equal as a Liver Medicine. Price 75 cents. Federal bottles at J. W. Eichinger's, and C. P. Shilling's.

## JAMES MORRIS, an old and well-known

resident of Wenona, will shortly move to Texas and make that state his future home.

## Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Eczema, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale By KING & METZ.

## A HARDWARE store at Hopedale was

burgled recently of a shotgun, a number of revolvers, knives, etc.

## Bronchitis.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup absolutely cures Bronchitis and all other diseases of the Throat and Lungs. It gives instant relief and will cure the worst cough. It is a guaranteed remedy. Sold by J. W. Eichinger and C. P. Shilling.

## H. N. SORRELS, of Rantoul, languishes

in the county jail at Urbana for selling liquor without a license.

## If suffering with piles, it will interest

you to know that Dr. Witt's Witch Hazel Salve will cure them. This medicine is a specific for all complaints of this character, and if instructions (which are simple) are carried out, a cure will result. We have tested this in numerous cases, and always with like results. It never fails. West's drug store.

## GRAUER & STUCKLE, of Mt. Pulaski,

will start a cigar factory in Lincoln and will open on January 15.

## One Minute Cough Cure is rightly

named. It affords instant relief from suffering when afflicted with a severe cough or cold. It acts on the throat, bronchial tubes and lungs and never fails to give immediate relief. West's drug store.

## The receipts of the postoffice at Pax-

ton for 1895 exceeded the previous year by \$220.

## COUGHING irritates the delicate organs

and aggravates the disease. Instead of zesting, try One Minute Cough Cure. It helps at once, making expectation easy, reduces the soreness and inflammation. Every one likes it. West's drug store.

## From September 1st to January 4th

the city of Pekin entertained 600 troops.

## One Minute Cough Cure is a popular

remedy for croup. Safe for children and adults. West's drug store.

## Dr. T. S. HASKINS, Dentist, Opera

House Block, ground floor.

Jan 24-24 wt

# THE TIDE OF OPINION

In America, as Interpreted by the Chronicle Correspondent.

## DISTINCTLY TURNING TOWARDS PEACE.

The Better Class of People Anxious for a Way of Honorable Settlement

Pointed Advice to Lord Salisbury.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—The American com-

missioner of the Daily Chronicle cabled to that paper from Washington yester-

day as follows:

"The tide of opinion here regarding

England seems to me to be distinctly

turning, owing, I believe, both to the

Chronicle's utterances and to England's

anxious foreign crisis. Yesterday I

quoted sympathetic words from the

New York Sun. To-day the Tribune

says there is something magnificent in

the way the British themselves face

their international situation. The

Tribune speaks of the everlasting

birthright of the British

people in the memories of Agincourt,

Plassey and Trafalgar, and declares

that the present opportunity is equally

momentous and advantageous to both

countries. It adds that worthy dip-

lomacy should now make a way for

an equitable settlement with Great Britain. Upon the

governments of Washington and West-

minster it rests to determine whether

this noblest opportunity of the age

shall be neglected or shall be improved

to the perpetual profit and glory of

both the great divisions of the En-

glish-speaking race."

"Many similar utterances prove the

truth of my assertions that all the

best American opinion is earnestly de-

sirous of a friendly and dignified set-

tlement. To-day I had a conversation

on this subject with Senator Gray, of

Delaware, an intimate and devoted

friend of Mr. Cleveland, and a promi-

nent member of the foreign relations

committee. Senator Gray said:

"I don't think the president made or

intended to make a threat towards the

British government in his message, but

he did mean to express in the

strongest way possible his own feeling

and what I believe to be the feeling of

all the people of this country regard-

ing the supposed British refusal of

arbitration in the Venezuelan matter,

except with reference to an arbitrary

line made by the British govern-

ment itself. I know there

is sincere regret and dismay

among all right-minded people

here that a more conciliatory dispo-

sition was not accepted by Lord Salis-

bury in regard to the general principle

of arbitration. If the British govern-

ment should show a kindly disposition

towards this principle I believe it

would be greatly welcomed by the peo-

ple of this country. So far as the

being any loss of prestige to the Brit-

ish government is in this course it would

make me more hopeful that the great

principle of arbitration will find ex-

pression in a convention between the

two countries covering all questions

that might arise."

The New York Times also describes

my statement of the American case as

superior and entirely truthful.

The present moment is a golden one

to secure American good will, can

England afford to lose it. If Lord Sal-

isbury takes no step and sees no way

then let him reflect that his attitude

is identical with that fatal one which

lost Great Britain her American col-

onies more than a century ago. The

American people are eagerly listen-

ing for some word from him. The cost

of it would be slight and the gain col-

ossal.

## THE DANGER OF HILARITY.

One Man Hurts an Artery and Dies and

Another Drops Dead While Laughing.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 7.—Nicholas Klughart,

22 years old, of South Bend, Ind.,

laughed so violently at a performance

given at the Olympic theater Sunday

that he burst an artery and died soon

afterwards. He went to the theater

# GREAT BARGAINS AT

# BRADLEY BROS.

## THIS MONTH.

## Big Reduction Sale of Blankets.

200 pairs of all wool Scarlet, White and Grey Blankets, \$2.98 a pair

worth \$4.00, selling at.....

100 pairs of heavy all wool Grey and White Blankets, \$3.98 a pair

worth \$5. a pair, at.....

Just 50 pairs of fine white, all wool, extra large Blankets, \$4.50 a pair

worth \$6.50, at.....

## Novelty Dress Patterns Cut in Price.

\$10.00 Novelty Dress Patterns cut to.....\$5.95 each

\$12.00 Novelty Dress Patterns cut to.....\$6.95 each

\$15.00 Novelty Dress patterns cut to.....\$7.95 each

\$18.00 Novelty Dress Patterns cut to.....\$9.95 each

## Special January Sale of Bleached Sheets and Pillow Cases.

Pillow Cases, 36x45 in., 2-in. hem at.....10c each

Pillow Cases 36x45 in., 2-in. hem, extra fine, at.....12 1-2 and 15c each

Pillow Cases, 36x45 in., 3-in. hem, at.....18c each

Pillow Cases, 38x50 in., 3-in. hem, at.....20c each

Pillow Cases, hemstitched, size 36x45 in., 2 1/2-in. hem, at.....20c each

Pillow Cases, hemstitched, size 38x45 in., 2 1/2-in. hem, at.....22 1-2c each

Pillow Cases, hemstitched, size 40x45 in., 3-in. hem, at.....25c each

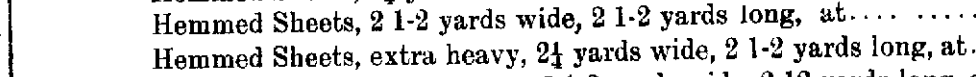
Hemmed Sheets, 2 1/2 yards wide, 2 1/2 yards long, at.....50c each

Hemmed Sheets, 2 1-2 yards wide, 2 1-2 yards long, at.....55c each

Hemmed Sheets, extra heavy, 2 1/2 yards wide, 2 1-2 yards long, at.....60c each

Hemmed Sheets, extra heavy, 2 1-2 yards wide, 2-12 yards long, at.....65c each

Hemstitched Sheets, 2 1/2 and 2 1-2 yards wide, at.....75 and 85c each



## HEALTH

## The Source of Happiness.

### Why Should People Suffer

When They Can Be Cured?

All who have endured untold agonies from

liver and kidney troubles, biliousness, mental

depression, dizziness, etc., know too well the

misery they have gone through. Why? Be-

cause they have not found an adequate remedy

for their complaints. They need despair no

longer. There is a cure for all this.

## DR. BENJAMIN BROWN'S

Purely Vegetable Liver

and Kidney Pills

are a certain remedy for all liver and kidney

trouble, sick headache, bilious headache, ner-

vous headache, sour stomach, constipation,

heartburn, mental depression, dizziness, and

taste in the mouth, and will purify the blood

and give you a clear and beautiful complexion

and certainly will break up fevers and colds

if taken immediately.

The efficacy of these pills has been proven in

thousands of instances, and testimonials almost

without number have been received from men of

national reputation, testifying to the wonderful

results they achieve. A trial of a single pack-

age will convince the most skeptical of the won-

derful result it will produce. Without the least

delay or pain in the bowels.

Some genuine unless portrait and signature of

Dr. Benjamin Brown is attached to each pack-

age.

The price of these Pills is 50 Cents

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King & Metz, 139 N. Water street and

A. J. Blaine, 239 N. Water street.

W. E. Schinger, corner E. Main

Water streets.

## DR. BENJAMIN BROWN

Rheumatic Remedy Co.,

2123 Mack Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Sept. 5-dood&w

## CHANCERY NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS, in

Macon County, in

In the Circuit Court, January Term, 1896.

Charles Weintra, Known, Weintra-Chancery.

Admittant of the nonresidence of Keziah

Weintra, defendant above named, having been

dead in the office of the clerk of the said circuit

court of Macon county, Illinois, on the 28th day of

the said Keziah Weintra that the complainant

filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the

28th day of March, 1895, and that thereupon a summons, issued

of said court against said defendant, Keziah

Weintra, returnable on the 15th day of January,

1896, as is by law required.

Now unless you, the said Keziah Weintra, shall



# AINS AT Y BROS.

MONTH.

Blankets.

Grey Blankets, \$2.98 a pair  
White Blankets, \$3.98 a pair  
Large Blankets, \$4.50 a pair

Cut in Price.

\$5.95 each  
\$6.95 each  
\$7.95 each  
\$9.95 each

Willow Cases.

10c each  
12 1-2 and 15c each  
18c each  
20c each  
22 1-2c each  
25c each  
50c each  
55c each  
60c each  
65c each  
75 and 85c each

Special Tax Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that the county court of Macon county, Illinois, has rendered judgment for special tax upon property at a rate upon the following improvement, to-wit: The construction of a certain sewer commencing at and connecting with the present sewer on High street, at a point ten (10) feet east of the intersection of the alley running north and south between North Water and North Main street, and said sewer, thence southwesterly by a gradual curve to the center line of said alley, thence south on the center line of said alley to the north line of Packard street, as will hereinafter appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office.

That a warrant for the collection of such special taxes is in the hands of the undersigned. All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amount assessed at the collector's office, being the city clerk's office at the court house, in said city, within thirty days from the date hereof.

Dated, this 10th day of December, A. D. 1905.  
dec10-1905 F. L. HAYS, City Clerk.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Estate of James Bailey, deceased.  
The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of James Bailey, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby give notice that they will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in the city of Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are required to appear and present the same for adjustment. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 27th day of December, 1905.  
WILLIAM C. HUFFLEY,  
DANIEL B. HUFFLEY,  
Executors.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of John Schudel and against Jennie Phillips, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Block one (1) Railroad addition to the city of Macon, Macon county, Illinois, situate as property of the said Jennie Phillips, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house, in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1906, at 2 o'clock, p. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 17th day of Dec., A. D. 1905.  
dec17-1905 SHERIFF JOHN H. HOLSON,  
Sheriff, Macon Co., Ill.

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE.

Estate of John Ray, deceased.  
The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of John Ray, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, I hereby give notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in the city of Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are required to appear and present the same for adjustment. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of November, 1905.  
Nov 20-1905 CHARLES S. HANKINS, Assignee.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

In the matter of the assignment of Nathaniel T. Watson. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed assignee of the estate of Nathaniel T. Watson, and all persons having any claim or claims against the said Nathaniel T. Watson are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of January, A. D. 1906, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are required to appear and present the same for adjustment. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of November, 1905.  
Nov 20-1905

BLOOD POISON

HAVE YOU Sore Throat, Pimples, Copper Colored Skin, Acne, Old Sores, Eczema, Itch, Eruptions, Etc., etc., etc., REMEDY CO., 807 Madison Temple, Chicago, Ill., for proofs of cure. Each bottle 50 cents. 100-page book free.

Hotel.

Proprietor.

Decatur, Ill.

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ON ALL HEAVY WEIGHT

Suits, Overcoats,  
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FOR MEN AND BOYS.

Entire Stock of New, Up-to-Date

SUITS, OVERCOATS, ULSTERS

Commencing to-day, Dec. 26,

For Next 30 Days We Allow 1/4 Off

The regular price for CASH ONLY to reduce our big stock of fine clothing.

ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

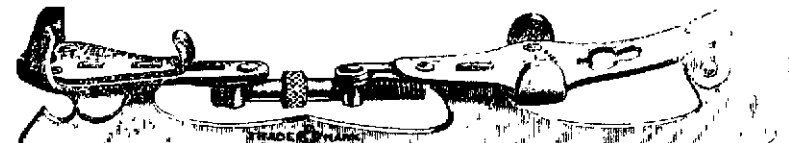
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Full Clamp,  
All Steel Skates,  
25c Per Pair.

Our stock is still too large and we will continue our Red Price Sale until February 1st, which is our annual date for taking stock.

Take advantage of this very great opportunity to get good goods cheap.

All we want is a chance to show you the goods and quote prices. Your judgment will do the rest.

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CHASE & SANBORN'S

COFFEES?

Only Sold at

"The Economy,"

221 North Water Street.

TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 1896.

LOCAL NEWS.

SMOKE the Defender cigar. If GRAND ARMY post meeting to-night. Box and Bulk Candies at Whitley's. CIGARS in all sized boxes at Whitley's. The Fortnightly club will meet again Friday night. THE largest stock of cigars in town at West's drug store.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Irwin's fragrant cream cures chapped hands and rough skin.

REMEMBER that the Little Rose and Bouquet cigars are made in Decatur by Joseph Michl.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR.

INSTALLATION of officers to-night at the hall of Chevalier Bayard Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR.

The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth. Go to Henry Bros. bakery for all kinds of cakes, pies, etc. dec26-dtf

REV. GEO. F. HALL states that he came to Decatur to stay and he will stay.

REV. W. C. MILLER conducted the funeral of the late Mrs. Andrew Wayts. The burial was at Mt. Giload.

Irwin's Fig laxative syrup is pleasant and effective, large bottles reduced to 35 cents.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR.

The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth. HERMAN HILL who returned to Keokuk, Iowa, to-day, was given a farewell party last night by his sister, Miss Gusie Hill.

The lecture room of the First M. E. church was well filled last night, when Rev. Galeener preached. Services every night this week.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Go to the Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb6-d&wtf

SELECT a Haines Upright or Reed & Son's piano. They are leaders at the C. B. Prescott music house on North Water street.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR

It is now believed that Clara Booker, the 11-year-old daughter of James Booker, who was shockingly burned recently at Casner Station, will recover. It will be months before the child will be able to walk.

If you want to keep warm this winter have Leon & Morris put in one of their celebrated Akron Air Blast Furnaces. They can do you a good job. oct23-dtf

THERE were five generations represented at the fifteenth marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams which was celebrated yesterday at the family home 222 East Marietta street.

TRADE Buyers' and Merchants' Benefit Bureau saves you 4 per cent on your entire living expenses. Call upon the manager L. Choudat and learn how.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR

TWENTY-FIVE hundred dollars wanted for three years at 6 per cent interest on a farm worth \$8,000. The loan will be as good as government bonds. Will pay us commission, and deal with party direct. Address lock box No. 3431 Mt. Pulaski, Ill. Jan 6-d&wtf

THE course of twelve lectures by Mrs. Haberly will begin next Friday at 2:30 o'clock. The first topic will be "Greek Mythology." A course of evening lectures will also be given—\$2 for single course, or \$3 for both.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR

No BETTER soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Mt. Olive. Buy it of M. P. Metz. Personally he can be found at the yard office, 800 North Broadway. For Broadway office, Old Phone, 433; New Phone, 435. Also leave orders with T. W. Cano, 628 North Main, or with Harry Metz, at King & Metz' drug store. Hard coal, all sizes, always in stock at market prices. Nov. 11-dtf

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors that she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 189 Florida St., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, ap proaching Consumption, tried without result everything else, then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at King & Hubbard's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

KNOCKS OUT DOLLAR GAS.

Alderman Gogerty Wants Saloon Free Lunches Abolished and the Weight of Broad Regulated—Action on Fourth Ward Sewer and the Great Western Sewer—V. H. Parks Locks Horns With the Council—Recommendation by the Mayor.

The council held its first meeting last night for the year 1896. All the members except Thayer, Johnson and Bolen were present. There was little in the proceedings of an exciting character until a proposition to abolish free lunches in saloons was reached. This proposition was introduced by Alderman Gogerty. Alderman Ahrens was first on the floor, and he questioned the right of the council to pass such a resolution and also doubted its expediency, and before he closed he made a good deal of fun. Alderman Stratton moved its reference to the finance committee, and upon a yea and nay vote it was so referred, those voting to refer being Ahrens, Gogerty, Hankins, Mathias, Simpson and Stratton.

Alderman Montgomery's resolution providing for fixing the maximum rate for illuminating gas at one dollar per one thousand feet was something of a surprise, but the council refused to discuss the matter. The resolution set forth that neighboring cities were furnishing gas at a less cost than that paid by the citizens of Decatur, and asked that the matter be investigated; but it was promptly laid on the table. Those voting to lay on the table were: Ahrens, Drake, Foster, Hankins, Irwin, Mathias and Stratton; those voting nay were: Gogerty, Montgomery, Carter and Simpson.

The sidewalk in front of the premises of V. H. Parks on West Cerro Gordo street has a drop at the west side of his storage building of several inches, and is dangerous to pedestrians. Parks claims he got a grade from the city. The city denies this, and ordered Parks to lower the walk. This he not only refuses to do, but threatens injunction proceedings if the city attempts to lower it; but the council, last night, by a unanimous vote, ordered the walk lowered, and of course, there is a speck of war on the horizon.

The business in detail was as follows: A petition of Huff Bros. and others asked that in widening North Broadway it be made 80 feet wide instead of 60 feet between Orchard and Herkimer streets. Granted.

Joe Bartello petitioned the council to refund him \$100, part of the license fees paid by him to conduct a fruit stand, alleging as a reason that others were permitted to sell fruit in competition without paying any license. Laid upon the table.

W. H. Holser asked that his license to keep a dram shop be transferred to N. J. McGlaessen. Granted.

John Blicher asked that his license to keep a dram shop be transferred to John C. Bolay. Granted.

Orlando Powers stated that he was the sole owner of Opera House block and petitioned the council to grant him permission to excavate under the side walks surrounding the block for areas, coal bunkers, to-wit: Twelve feet on the east side, 13 feet on the north side, 14 feet on the south side and 14 feet on the west side; all to be excavated to the depth of 10 feet, 9 inches, and that the city give him the proper grade for sidewalks. Referred to sidewalk and crossing committee and city engineer with power to act.

The Morehouse & Wells Co. petitioned the council for permission to remove their powder house from East Wood street to the city gravel bank. Petition granted, and a committee was appointed to examine location of all powder houses and if thought advisable decide upon a place to which all powder houses should be located.

The city engineer presented a profile and estimate of cost of sewer on west side of city as follows:

Sewer to commence at the point where Oakland avenue produced south would touch the Sangamon river, thence north to a point 60 feet north of the n. e. corner of section 22, 14, 2 east, thence north on Oakland avenue to a point 400 feet north of West Main street, thence north-easterly, following the ravine crossing Eldorado street at the intersection of Vandike street and crossing Green street 55 feet east of the center of Vandike street, crossing King street 280 feet east of the center of Vandike street, crossing Marietta street 60 feet east of the center of Pine street, thence n. e. to the intersection of Packard and Monroe streets, north on Monroe street to the city limits at the center of Pugh street. The total length is 9,000 feet, or 1.7 miles. Also for a sewer leaving the main sewer at a point 400 feet north of West Main street, bearing thence north-westerly to Fairlawn avenue, at the center of Eldorado street, this being 600 feet east of the center of the east line of Fairlawn park and 2000 feet from the junction with the main sewer at Oakland avenue. The heavy work of this sewer occurs between the river and the point where the branch diverges north-west, the average cutting being 25 1/2 feet, making the average cost of 3400 feet of 6-foot circular sewer \$1350 per foot, or 55 per cent of the entire cost of

the 11,000 feet. The estimate cannot be regarded as beyond dispute, because the only way to find the material to be met in the digging is by sinking test pits. The estimates are as follows:

SIZE.	LENGTH.	DEPTH.	DOLLARS PER FOOT.	(CONT.)
6	400	37 1/2	19	\$8,400
6	400	36	18	7,200
6	400	35 1/2	18	7,200
6	400	35	18	7,200
6	400	34 1/2	18	7,200
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6	400	3 1/2	18	7,200
6	400	3	18	7,200
6	400	2 1/2	18	7,200
6	400	2	18	7,200
6	400	1 1/2	18	7,200
6	400	1	18	7,200
6	400	1/2	18	7,200
6	400	0	18	7,200

Total cost \$10,000

This includes cost of manholes and inlets.

The City engineer reported that the Merchant street paving was complete and ready for acceptance, and also that the sewer on East Main street from Broadway and Jasper street sewer to Lincoln Square was completed and ready for acceptance. Referred to public improvement committee.

City Attorney Lee reported that in the matter of petition of the city to condemn property to widen Division street compensation and damages were awarded as follows: W. J. Magee, \$900; Samuel Gramme \$800; P. J. Ryder \$800; P. B. Ryder \$800; Pugh heirs \$1150—total \$4340. Accepted and placed on file.

The city attorney was instructed to ask for a continuance in the case of widening Center street until assessment roll is completed.

The report of the city treasurer for the month of December showed there was on hand December 1, \$7,916.68; received during month, \$773.13; warrants paid, \$6,897.38; on hand January 1, \$1,792.34.

The engineer of the water works reported: Water pumped during December, 79,000,000 gallons; a total of 411 tons of coal was used; of this 40 tons for the night plant and 25 tons at the filter house. The light plant was used 270 hours.

The marshal's report for November showed 54 arrests; fines assessed, \$177; fines collected, \$151.75.

Superintendent Alexander reported the expenditure of \$303 in street work during the month of December.

Mayor Conklin presented the following communication to the city council:

Since your last meeting suits have been entered and summons served upon me by Henry Beston and Augustus Harpstrite, each claiming damages in the sum of \$5,000. The former claims to have been injured by a defective sidewalk. The latter claims damages by water to his premises by reason of defective sewer. This claim has been before the council and has been investigated by a special committee and a report made that the city was not liable therefor. I would advise further investigation in this claim of Harpstrite with the view of settling the matter without litigation is possible. Referred to Mayor and city attorney.

J. W. Alexander reported that he had obeyed the order of the council to notify V. H. Park to lower his sidewalk in front of his property on West Cerro Gordo street at his own expense and his answer was, that he would not do it and that if the city undertook to do so he would enjoin it. The council ordered the street commissioner to proceed at once to bring said walk to grade.

The public improvement committee to which was referred the resolution to pave Packard street from Water to Main street reported in favor of paving same providing property owners pay for paving intersections. Adopted.

The committee on streets and alleys reported they had caused a suitable walk to be laid from Water street east on Main street to the corner of State and Main streets.

The same committee reported having granted V. N. Hostetter permission to place a boiler under the sidewalk on State street east of his property.

The matter of establishing grade on St. Louis avenue between Oakland avenue and the city limits was referred to the city engineer.

The ordinance was passed providing that licenses for selling jewelry be \$10 per day, for selling salve, liniment, drugs, medicines, cloths, silks, cassimeres, dress goods, shawls, or table cloths, \$5 per day or \$25 per week, for selling stationery, fixtures, books or publications other than newspapers and magazines, \$5 per month, for selling cakes, fruits, nuts, candies, lemonade, soda and other confections and refreshments a \$3 per month. The ordinance providing for the great western sewer was read and referred with the profile and estimate filed by the city engineer to the public improvement committee.

The ordinance providing for the funding of \$20,000 bonds of the city, dated Oct. 1, 1894, was read and passed.







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The reporter next visited Dr. C. H. Stansbury, a graduate of one of the medical schools of Kentucky, and a man who enjoys the confidence of everybody in Longview. He said: "I know that Mr. Spaulding had a terribly severe attack of sciatic rheumatism of which I tried to cure him, using everything known to my profession in vain, and finally recommended him to go to Hot Springs. He came back from the springs worse than when he went and I thought it was only a matter of time until his heart would be affected and he would die. I also know that his cure is the direct result of the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

"That is rather an unusual statement for a regular physician to make, doctor. I know it is, but a fact is a fact, and there are hundreds of people right here in Longview who know what I say is the truth. I also know Mr. Allison and know that he was relieved of a genuine and severe case of locomotive anxiety of twenty years standing."

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## WOMAN OF FASHION.

Unlimited Assortment of Beautiful Accessories for Women.

The New Demands That Are Being Constantly Made Upon Women—A Great Freedom of Choice in the Latest Fashions.

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To be inartistically dressed this year is almost a crime, in view of the unlimited assortment of beautifying accessories that a woman has to choose from to make herself attractive. And paradoxical as it may seem, the woman herself has very little to do with her appearance except so far as her taste and artistic judgment are concerned. Her face and figure perform some such office as the cabbage or lettuce does in a salad—serve as a foundation for something bright and spicy as a dressing. Indeed, when she is dressed for the street, there is very little of her face that shows. The feathers on her hat have no inclination to confine themselves to their allotted places, but peep over the brim and lean away down as if curious to see what manner of creature is this new bird that they adorn. The feather collar, or the fur boa conceals the lower part of her face and her neck, and her hair covers her ears. With such a complex screen as this the young woman seldom wears a veil, else if she did she would lose her identity entirely, for all the individuality that is left her is the pair of sparkling eyes that gleam out from the depths of feathers and fur and velvet which frame her eyes, nose and mouth in a casing that conceals the other features.

As women continue to rise in the estimation of men, more and more demands are made upon them. In the beginning it was merely expected that a woman be soft and round and beautiful, and perhaps amiable. After that men began to look for wives that could be useful—they must be good cooks and housekeepers as well as pretty ornaments. Then came the emancipated female—the woman who was brilliant, intellectually and unquipped man on his own grounds, and man looked on her and beheld that she was good and



A DRESSING-ROOM GLIMPSE AT THE NEW YEAR'S BALL.

immediately fell down to worship her. But now the brilliant woman is an old story. The average woman is bright, and man demands something more—hence, the picture woman. The picture woman is what might be called animated art, the Niobe that comes to life, the portrait that walks out of the frame. In many respects she is the end of the last century woman remodelled. But in some respects she is like nothing else under the sun but her own bewitching self—and that is her chief charm.

The great freedom of choice in the present fashions is the secret of the artistic effects that are reached. Whatever goes to make a pretty picture is fashionable. If your face requires a soft, unconventional setting, you can wear fluffy lace, collarettes and feather boas. But if you are in the Princeton type you can wear stiff collars, buttoned tight around your neck with demure little cuffs to match. If your hair doesn't grow where it ought to round your forehead and temples you can brush it down to where the artist would put it if he were painting an ideal head with your eyes and nose and mouth as a foundation.

Appropos of hair, those girls who didn't look well with the part have adopted the pompadour. And there is such a temptation in the form of hair ornaments that it is probable some will affect it to whom it is not becoming.

The holidays brought out a lot of accessories to the headgear to allure the Christmas shopper. The pompadour combs had just reached the height of their popularity. They are quite coarse and come in pairs or single as the wearer prefers. When in pairs they are curved and the teeth are longer at one end than at the other. These are placed in very much the same position as a circle comb, supposing its teeth turned toward the front. This makes a puff of hair all around the face—giving a decidedly Japanese effect. The single pompadour comb curves also, but is shorter than the others, and is placed at the top of the head with its teeth turned front, making a pompadour over the forehead only. Hitherto the hair ornaments have

been nearly all suited especially to dark hair. The gold and silver combs and even the paste diamonds did not show off to advantage in golden tresses. Tortoise shell was very pretty but not startling, and the brunette with paste butterflies in her raven locks had the advantage of her golden-haired rival. The newest thing in hair ornaments is jet—sparkling jet that brings out the gold in hair as nothing else does. There are jet side combs, butterflyes, daggers, etc., and the effect is very pretty.

Speaking of blondes and other beauties suggests the girls at the New Year's ball. I think they looked their prettiest in the dressing-room, before they took off their picturesque wraps. Queer how much time and trouble and money a woman will spend on a garment that she wears not more than 20 or 30 minutes at a time, one that nobody sees except as she flits from her carriage to the ballroom and back again when her evening's triumph is supposed to be over! But nobody knows better than she the power of that last fleeting vision which her victim gets as he escorts her to her carriage to bid her good night. It is the first impression and the last that are important, says Mme. Chumington to her fair pupils, as she instructs them in the arts of fascination—hence the five-minute opera cloak and the flimsy, lacey hood that stands out like a halo from the fair one's head.

The girls in the dressing-room aforesaid formed a study for a charming picture. One of the prettiest wore a short cape of white brocade lined with a faint, delicate, pink mottled silk; the distinguishing feature was the large hood that was wired at the edge to make it stand out from the face so as not to muss the hair.

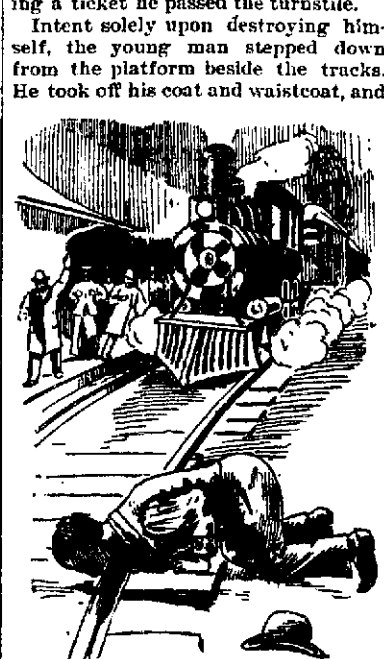
Some wore marabout collars and stoles that are particularly appropriate for evening with dainty gowns. The marabout feather is becoming so popular, indeed, and harmonizes so prettily with dainty colors and materials that they are introduced into the actual composition of the gowns themselves.

One of those which the removal of a wrap disclosed, had shoulder straps of the feathers, which made an agreeable variation from the much-worn flower

## HORRIBLE SUICIDE.

Young Chicagoan's Head Cut Clean Off by a Railroad Train.

J. W. Ferris, secretary and treasurer of the Troy Bakery company at Chicago, committed suicide a few evenings ago. He was 26 years old and single. It was almost time for the out-bound suburban theater train to pass, when young Ferris, who is the son of the president and owner of the bakery company, entered the 31st street station of the Illinois Central road. Buying a ticket he passed the turnstile. Intent solely upon destroying himself, the young man stepped down from the platform beside the tracks. He took off his coat and waistcoat, and



HIS NECK UPON THE RAILS.

folding both carefully, placed them upon the edge of the platform.

In a few minutes the train steamed up. Ferris waited until it stopped. Then he lay down upon his stomach and placed his neck upon the rails. A moment later the conductor gave the signal to start. The train moved forward and the young man's head was severed from his body. The remains were taken to the Hyde Park morgue.

J. W. Ferris was the eldest son of J. H. Ferris, who established the Troy bakery and lunch counters eight years ago. For the past few years he had been a partner of his father, and the active manager of the lunchrooms, with the position of secretary and treasurer.

## PRETTY SCHOOLMA'AM.

She Swooned, But Not Until She Had Wounded a Highwayman.

Miss May Grier, a teacher in the public school of Duluth, Minn., is the heroine of the hour on account of an adventure she had with a highwayman, who held her up and attempted to rob her. The highwayman made his escape with at least one bullet in him, and possibly more, as the plucky woman fired four shots, and blood was found on the snow over which the fellow passed.

After the shooting Miss Grier collapsed, and on arriving at the home of her brother-in-law fainted. The young lady was returning to her home after having drawn her salary for the month, and when on a lonely road in West Duluth was attacked by the man, who had evidently followed her. After a short struggle he tore her pocketbook from her grasp and started on a run down the road.

Miss Grier, whose school is in a thirty settled portion of the city, has



MISS GRIER BEGAN FIRING.

for weeks made a practice of carrying a revolver when alone. This she drew and began firing as fast as she could at the fellow. At the fourth shot he dropped the pocketbook and almost fell, but recovered himself and succeeded in making his escape. The pocketbook was found, with its contents, \$75, untouched.

Buried His Face in Wax. An accident of an unusual, but not the less distressing, kind occurred recently to a youth named Louis Titel, employed in a London warehouse merchant's shop. He was occupied with another assistant in sealing wine bottles and to expedite work a pan of boiling wax was placed between them. Titel was about to rise from his seat when he slipped and fell face foremost into the seething mixture. His face was at once covered with a mass of hot wax, and in trying to save himself he severely burnt his arms and hands. At the hospital to which he was at once taken he was, as can be well imagined, found to be very seriously burned. In many places his flesh had been eaten away by the boiling wax. Despite his terrible injuries, Titel's life is not in danger, but he will be disfigured for life.

## A Dog's Ear for Music.

Selectman Thomas, of Milford, Conn., is the owner of a fine Scotch collie dog that is very fond of vocal music, and who will join his master in singing America's national hymn. The singing itself is not so wonderful as the fact that the animal starts in on the first note and holds the proper key and keeps remarkably good time throughout the entire song.

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## Administrator's Notice of Final Settlement.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, IN MAISON COUNTY, In the matter of the estate of John R. Woma, et al., deceased.

To all whom it may concern: You are hereby notified that I, as the administrator of John R. Woma, et al., deceased, have this day filed in the county court of said county a final report of my acts and doings as such administrator of said estate and that I will on the 15th day of January, 1906, at the hour of 9 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard by the court, ask said court to approve said report and to release me from further liability in said matter and ask for a final discharge as such administrator, at which time and place you can be present and take such action as you may deem best.

Decatur, Ill., December 27, 1905.

ANDREW H. MILLS, Administrator of John R. Woma, et al., deceased.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of James A. Spencer, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of James A. Spencer, deceased, a late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of January, 1906.

J. B. FAIR, Attorney.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the County Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of James J. Christie and against Leontine J. Chapman, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot 5 and 6 of Chapman's subdivision of lot 14 of the southeast quarter of Section 4, Township 15, Range 2 east, of P. M. into as the property of the estate of Leontine J. Chapman, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1906, at 2 o'clock p. m., of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 31st day of December, A. D. 1905.

Dec 31-21d Sheriff J. M. COTTON, Macon, Ill.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Conrad C. Pinnell, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Conrad C. Pinnell, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 30 day of January, 1906.

W. B. HENK HENK, Administrator.

Jan 4-24w



# AUCTION SALE!

Over 200 Dinner Sets in Haviland, Vienna, and French Chinas will be sold at your own price. We are selling from six to ten sets a day. We are obliged to convert these goods into money at some price. If you expect to buy a dinner set in the next ten years, it will pay you to get it now.

We put up for sale at auction anything in our stock--DIAMONDS, WATCHES, LAMPS, ONYX TABLES, HANGING LAMPS, RINGS, JEWELRY, &c., &c., until we get the \$25,000 we started for.

We expect to lose money, perhaps five or six thousand dollars, but that loss is already "mourned for." Somebody is going to get every dinner set we have on hand.

## Otto E. Curtis & Bro.,

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Bargains in Every Department of Our Store to Reduce Stock.

Jackets at \$5, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$10.  
Cloth Capes at \$5, \$7.50 and \$10.  
Fur Capes at \$5, \$8.50, \$10, \$12.50 and \$15.  
Misses Jackets at \$3, \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5.  
Misses Long Coats (with cape), at \$2.95, \$3.50, \$4.50 and \$5.  
Plush Cloaks made over into Capes.  
New sleeves put into Cloaks of any kind.

### Men's Goods.

Men's Wool Shirts all to be closed out at 50 cents each, worth up to \$2.  
Men's Shirts (cotton or lace) to be closed out at 98 cents a pair, worth up to \$2.50.

Visit our Store if you need any Dry Goods this month.

## Chas. T. Johnston

DECATUR, ILL.

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To purchase your Xmas goods of us is disastrous to be pocketbook, as the following prices will show:

Medallions, 12x16s.....39c  
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### SOCIETY MEETINGS.

A. B. H. League meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All committees are requested to be present. DANIEL MOORE, Com. NORMAN PHILLIPS, Sec.

Masonic-Benefit convocation of Macon Chapter No. 31, Royal Arch Masons, at 7:30 o'clock, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All committees are requested to be present. DANIEL MOORE, Com. NORMAN PHILLIPS, Sec.

I. O. O. F.-Regular meeting of Decatur Lodge No. 55, this Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, at Odd Fellows' hall, corner Main and William streets. Visiting brethren cordially invited to meet with us. J. H. GIBSON, S. G. J. N. MASON, Sec.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS.-Regular meeting of the Royal Neighbors, at 7:30 o'clock, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, at Odd Fellows' hall, corner Main and William streets. Visiting brethren cordially invited to meet with us. J. H. GIBSON, S. G. J. N. MASON, Sec.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Bottle and bulk perfumes at Whitley's.

Cigars at \$1.00 per box and up at Whitley's.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR. The Grand Opera House cigars, made by Johnny Weigand, are the best in town. mar25-dtf

Rebours hot water bottles, cut prices guaranteed. West's drug store.

### USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

The young and the old, the strong and the weak, eat "FRIENDS' OATS."

You can save money by taking your prescriptions to Irwin's Drug Store.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR. The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth.

No SUBSTITUTE or cheap drug used as prescriptions at Whitley's.

FAMILY SPRINGS, of all kinds, cut prices. West's drug store.

There is a case of scarletina at the home of F. J. Pettyjohn, 123 East Orchard street.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR. For \$50 C. C. Caldwell and James Glick have made a bill of sale to S. Gerber & Son, to personal property.

The Equal Suffrage society will meet next Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. I. K. Stafford on West Main street.

### USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Mr. FRED CURTIS, will give his second organ recital at St. John's church on Sunday evening next, the 12th inst.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR. The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth.

Dr. L. E. COONRADT, Dentist, rooms 42 and 43, Fenton block. aug24-dtf

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR. CHAS. ALISON was helplessly drunk last night that the officers making the arrest had to get a wagon to haul him to jail. He had a gold watch and \$3.15 on his person.

The service at the First Presbyterian church last evening was well attended. Service again this evening and every evening this week, except Saturday, at 7:30 o'clock. Subject for to night: "The Church Universal."

### USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Meeting Wednesday Night. There will be a meeting of Lucullus Council No. 1, Princes of the Orient, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 8, at 7:30 o'clock at the Coeur de Leon lodge hall, formerly Calmet club rooms. Installation of officers. A full attendance of members is desired.

H. E. HANSEER, Scribbler. JOHN KAYLOR, Pa da Sha.

The Grand Master. Hon. Charles F. Mansfield, grand master of the Illinois Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, is in the city on an official visit. His home is at Mansfield in Platt county. He is also a Son of Veteran. He may become a member of Col. I. C. Pugh Camp, this city.

Inquisition. This afternoon in the county court an inquisition will be held as to the alleged insanity of Granville Meek, son of John F. Meek, a lad about 17 years of age.

Died of Spasms. Mattie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McNamara, died of spasms on January 6, at the family residence at 6 p. m., aged 3 years.

Marriage Licenses. W. A. Lago, Maroon.....26 Margaret Spencer, Maroon.....21

Prices of people have piles, but Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will cure them. When promptly applied it cures eczema and burns without the slightest pain. West's drug store.

DIPHTHERIA is almost epidemic in the city five miles southeast of Hope.

The new Sunday closing law went into effect in Champaign Sunday.

## OPERA HOUSE FIRE AGAIN

A Big Score Caused by Gas Explosion-Slight Damage.

This forenoon the entire fire department was called out by a report that the Grand Opera House was again on fire. A great crowd gathered in a few moments, and everybody was looking for flames and smoke, but none could be seen. The firemen laid out the hose and ran to the rear and to the front, while citizens scurried up and down the stairways in the block looking for the fire which could not be located. Members of Coeur de Leon Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and Modern Woodmen, who had been burned out Nov. 4, were on the spot for action, but in a few minutes it was learned that there was no fire and no need of excitement or water.

But there had been a fire, just the same, on the second floor over the entrance to the hall, above where William Blank was engaged in decorating the entrance ceiling. It appears that Phil Welsh, a gas fitter in the employ of Field & Wilson, was engaged in making a change in the location of the hall chandelier, and had placed a new elbow for the gas pipe between the floor and ceiling. He went to the basement to turn on the gas to see if the joint was perfect. There was a strong smell of gas when he got back, but he could not locate the leak. So he struck a match, and the next moment there was an explosion which threw Welsh several feet away, singed his hair and eyebrows, and set the wood work on fire. The hastily application of buckets of water put out the fire and thus prevented the possible destruction of the entire block, and the partly rebuilt opera house. It was a close call.

The damage by water to the decorated ceiling is no small item. The work will have to be done over, and Blank will have to work it out to the best advantage.

### DIED THIS MORNING.

James Hart Passes Away After a Lingerin Illness.

James Hart, after an illness extending over several years, died this morning at 3:20 o'clock at his home, No. 1309 North Water. The immediate cause of his death was paralysis and palpitation of the heart. Deceased was 55 years of age last August. He leaves a wife and one son, Harry, to mourn his loss.

The deceased was a native of Ohio, and had been in the employ of the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator company eight years as a traveling salesman. Besides the widow and son he is survived by his father, four brothers and a sister.

The funeral will take place from the house Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

### FIRE CLOSE TO OREANA.

M. E. Hornback Loses Property Valued at \$500.

M. E. Hornback had a bad fire last night at 9 o'clock at his home, within a mile and a half of Oreana. A double corn crib containing 2000 bushels of corn, a wagon and two tons of baled hay were consumed, the fire starting in some manner at present unknown. There was no way of fighting the fire successfully, and all Hornback and his friends could do was to stand around and see the property go up in smoke. The total loss was about \$500. Insurance in the Rockford company for \$150.

### High School News.

Miss Anna Roby, '95, Miss Louise Custman, '94, and Thomas Pitner, '94, were visitors at the High School yesterday. Miss Roby is attending Wellesley College and Mr. Pitner is attending Illinois College at Jacksonville.

The Freshmen class at the High School held their second meeting yesterday afternoon. A constitution was adopted and the following officers were elected for the school year:

President--Dan Housam. Vice-President--Lucy Penhallegon. Secretary--Frank Lindsay. Treasurer--Grace Beallie. Marshal--Albert Allhouse.

The class colors were also chosen. They are dark red and cream.

Chapter 55 of the Agassiz Association held its regular meeting yesterday afternoon at the High School. Talks were given by Tom McClelland, Fred Niedermeyer and Florence Donahoe.

### Court News.

Circuit court will begin for the January term on the 13th, next Monday. Enough cases on the common law docket have been set for the first week. Monday Judge Vail will go through the docket and get the cases for the balance of the term. On Feb. 3 he is booked to go to Monticello to hold the session of the Platt county circuit court. It may last three or four weeks.

### Returned Home.

Rev. J. D. Jordan, pastor of the First Baptist church, returned to-day from his visit in the south. He will meet his people to-night at the prayer meeting, and will meet the official board after the prayer meeting. Mr. Jordan is in splendid health and ready for the work of the church.

### Reduced Rates.

Of tuition in Brown's Business College. Night school till April 1. Enroll Monday evening, January 6. jan3-d6

## PASTOR HALL WILL STAY

Christian Church Official Board Endorses the Preacher and Commends His Course.

Good Financial Showing-Increase of the Membership and Interest-Endorsement.

The annual meeting of the official board of the Christian church was held last night at the tabernacle. It was a long session of the twenty members who were in attendance. There are a few in the church who object to the further retention of the pastor, Rev. George F. Hall, but they seem to be hopelessly in the minority. These few criticised the pastor's financial management and his methods as a preacher. Some bitter words were spoken to the effect that Hall made a circus of the church, and many would not pay their subscriptions. It was also said the church would be better off had he never come to Decatur, and they thought it best for him to leave. Many friends of Mr. Hall spoke in his behalf and described the progress that had been made and the good which had been accomplished. The defending remarks were earnest and fervent. Mr. Hall was the last to speak. He said he had the earnest support of the church and board, except a few old timers who had always made trouble. When he came there were fifty attending the services, now there were 1200. Instead of \$2,000 a year he would be willing to take a smaller salary, but he would want twelve weeks off for lecturing privileges.

### ENDORSEMENT.

These resolutions drawn up by P. W. Humphrey were adopted practically without opposition:

DECATUR, ILL., Jan. 6, 1896.

Whereas, Brother George F. Hall has now been laboring with the First Church of Christ of this city for two years, we deem it due to him, to ourselves, to the people of Decatur and to the brethren at large to have somewhat to say concerning his labors with us.

And Whereas, We have found in him as a preacher one whose feet are firmly planted on "the Rock Christ Jesus," one who is set for the defense of the truth, and who preaches it, without courting the smiles or fearing the frowns of any man, because a loving father has commanded it.

And Whereas, Wonderful things have been done among us by him, as a co-laborer with God, and the brethren and sisters, in adding to the church nearly 500 members.

In raising a large amount of money for the prosecution of the work at home and abroad, in building a large tabernacle in which our now numerous membership may meet to worship and invite our neighbors and friends by scores and hundreds to meet with us. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, First--That we heartily endorse Brother Hall in his able, fearless and manly presentation of the Gospel of Christ;

Second--And therefore we greatly desire that his labor of love in holding up "the Christ" before us and the world may be continued among us, and may the Lord bless us all in our co-labor with him.

Done by order of official board this 6th day of January, 1896.

In the heat of the discussions preceding the adoption of the resolutions Frank P. Roddy and John E. Patterson, members of the board, tendered their resignations, but they were not accepted. There are twenty-four members of the board. Twenty are said to be firm supporters of the pastor. At the meeting of the Endeavor Society last night Pastor Hall was unanimously endorsed and requested to remain.

### THE CHURCH AFFAIRS.

The church reports show that the total receipts from all sources and all purposes to have been about \$5,000. This included about \$700 for missions and \$325 for a lot at Riverside Place. The Ladies' Aid Society earned and paid out about \$650 and have about \$150 on hand. Mr. Hall remarked that he thought it would be a good idea to elect about ten ladies on the official board. The financial secretary of the church, F. P. Roddy, reported a present indebtedness on current expenses, interest, paying tax, etc., of \$1,372. Of this amount something over \$300 is due the pastor. The reports from the three Sunday schools showed an aggregate collection of \$250.

Rev. George F. Hall, pastor, gave his report as follows:

During the year he has preached 95 sermons at home, 35 sermons and addresses elsewhere, 21 lectures, 10 funerals and 14 weddings. During the year he has had 153 additions to the church, making a total of 476 in the two years he has been here. Last year the church raised \$11,000 for all church purposes, making a grand total of \$16,000 for the two years. The church is \$1,500 more in debt than when he came here, but it has paid off a mortgage of \$500 on the mission chapel, raised \$325 toward the Riverside lot and erected the tabernacle which is worth \$6,000 with furniture

and which is clear of debt, is at least \$5,500 better off than it was two years ago.

Mr. Hall says the work of year spiritually has not been so full as he wished, but hopes it better this year, and he has one request to make and that is that all would be earnest, have the life of Christ in their hearts, and that they would all help pay to the church, because one has no business in a church unless he helps bear the expenses of the church. His earnest request is to pray more for the pastor, the church, yourself and the work.

### DR. CHAFFEE IN HARD LUCK

He Now Believes That Miller & Co. are Fooling Him.

Still Dr. Frank Chaffee is in the custody of Constable Midkiff, on a state warrant for failure to pay a board bill of \$106.77 to Charles Laux of the St. Nicholas Hotel. He has been under arrest since Saturday forenoon, and since that time Chaffee has tried in vain to get money to square the account. He was confident at first that the rupture supply firm he represents, O. E. Miller & Co., Chicago, would see him through and send down sufficient funds. They did send a check for \$80 on the Globe Bank, Chicago, but no answer came to a telegraphic inquiry as to whether or not the check will be paid. This morning another check for \$75 came, and Cashier Dawson of the Citizens' National, who wired to know if the check was good, got an answer from the Globe Bank stating that there was no money there yet to make good the check.

Now Doc Chaffee is further adrift than ever. He is convinced now that his firm is juggling with him, and he will look elsewhere for aid. He has a brother at Lafayette, Ind., with whom he has communicated, and from whom he hopes to get the money he must produce if he would regain his liberty.

Mr. Laux has gone into this case to realize the cash due him, and while he is sorry for Chaffee, he doesn't feel sympathetic enough yet to take a note in settlement of the claim.

Attorney C. A. Ewing is counsel for Chaffee. The production of the desired cash will settle the trouble.

### The Woman's Club.

Mrs. Habberty was present at the regular meeting of the Woman's Club held Monday afternoon, when Mrs. Geo. R. Bacon presided. Miss Grace McMasters and Miss Clara Hawkes were voted in as members. Mrs. Bacon was delegated to accept the invitation of the Prosser Club and read a paper before that club, as the representative of the Decatur Club.

The Chautauqua division had charge of the entertainment. Miss Edna Dunn rendered a piano solo, a selection from Beethoven. Frank Hamscher made an address on "The Evolution of Industry."

In the course of his remarks he said that he had hopes of an ideal republic when all the problems will solve themselves. After the address Miss Gusie Gorin sang a solo in a charming manner.

Mrs. Habberty, who is to give a course of lectures, afternoon and night, at the club house, addressed the members briefly on "The Evolution of Woman." Her remarks were highly instructive and entertaining. A social time and the serving of refreshments closed a very pleasant afternoon.

### Vindict for Mrs. Kline.

The case of the Rockford Insurance Co. vs. Mrs. Eliza Kline was on trial in Justice Hardy's court by jury until a late hour last evening. The company wanted Mrs. Kline to pay over \$500 two notes which had been signed by her. It was claimed that the lady had been induced to take out the insurance by alleged fraudulent representations.

Attorney D. D. Hill represented the company, and Attorney W. E. Redmon the defendant. The jury brought in a verdict in favor of Mrs. Kline, and now Hill says the case will be taken to the circuit court. During the trial George J. Dorrell, the company's agent, took exception to what Redmon was saying and said it was a lie. He apologized to the court and attorney.

### The Revival.

The Church of God revival meeting was well attended on Monday evening. The sermon was short but pointed. "Peace" was the subject, and the speaker showed the difference between a true and a false peace. The prayers offered were fervent, the singing spiritual, and the testimonies given plain and practical. After the audience was dismissed the church council held its monthly meeting. Everybody is invited to attend the revival services.

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